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Dear Mr. Newman,

Fatigue denies me the reply your letter of 7/26 warrants. If you'd heard or heard of the Alan Burke show on WLTV Saturday night-Sunday morning you'd understand. We've mailed out almost 200 books from here, many requiring letters, all written. This week we went back to press (index and four additional appendix pages included) and have sold all that are bound, 1600 of the second 5,000! Several letters from your area (and most came not from NYC but Conn. and N.J.) say I have Conn. swinging and jumping. Save the bookstores. They will not even ask the wholesalers (all of whom have WHITEWASH) for it, and, naturally, the wholesalers are keeping it a secret. I've made up an insertion for them, with their names and phones, to accompany their monthly bills. I hope that overcomes it. And this will be the only advertising I have done!

Can you imagine the satisfaction of all this? To have done what hasn't been done before, and in the face of such opposition?

I didn't try MEd or MR. I am going to reopen this, and when it happens it will be my book that has done it. It launched Inquest, much to Viking's surprise and satisfaction, as no book has even been launched, sharing an eight column spread across the top of the front page of the Wash. Post, copy running eight columns and total text about 8 columns!

I've sent the copies. I hope MP Edward takes the floor on it. I have a hard-working agent in England who has found what I've found. I'm prepared to do the same thing there is I can get a distributor. BRC used something a week ago, and liked it. Got good reviews (Observer: no "crankiness"!)

Thanks for your interesting poem. On it you ask the temperature. I do not recall. It was warm for November, but with a cold wind. Almost blew Mrs. K's hat off as they turned the previous corner and almost unhorsed a motorcycle cop. Some of the spectators wore top clothes and gloves.

That English agent has retired. My new one is Gordon Harbord, 53 St Martin's Lane, London WC 2. Fine guy, but very busy.

Sending copy to Can Forum. I hope they give address, for without it the review does me no good. The only reason we didn't have an index in the earlier printing was time. Even you cannot guess how much work is in this. Thanks,

Sincerely